



Monday November 16, 2015  
Hooker Conference Room, Bloomington City Hall  
**MINUTES**

*\*An audio recording of the meeting is available upon request\**

**I. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS**

Members present: Paul Ash, Kay Bull, Jaclyn Ray, Mitch Rice, Jim Rosenbarger, Mark Stosberg

Staff: Vince Caristo – Planning & Transportation; Scott Robinson – Planning & Transportation; Neil Kopper – Planning & Transportation; Steve Cotter – Parks and Recreation.

Others present: Jim Williams; Daniel McMullen

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Minutes from the October 19, 2015 meeting were presented by staff.

*Paul moved to approve the minutes as presented. Mark seconded. Motion passed.*

**I. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Daniel McMullen said we should try to access new transportation funding recently announced by the Governor to fund local improvements at location such as the Near East Side, West Side, Atwater & Highland.

**II. COMMUNICATIONS FROM COMMISSION MEMBERS**

Kay introduced herself to the group for the first time. She said that while bicycling on W 7<sup>th</sup> St near White Oak Cemetery, a vehicle sped up to pass her around the roundabouts, and this is reflective of the experience of riding in this city.

Paul said that people are interested in talking about how things are changing, such that the B-Line trail could be successful beyond explanation.

### **III. REPORTS FROM STAFF**

#### **a. Engineering Update**

Neil provided updates on the current projects in development. We are working on a federal grant to purchase pedestrian countdown timers and accessible push-buttons for traffic signals. We are bringing consultants on-board for curb ramp and pedestrian signal improvements at the intersections of 3<sup>rd</sup> & Woodcrest and 2<sup>nd</sup> & College. We are beginning design for projects at 4<sup>th</sup> & Rogers, and Allen & Walnut, and will be seeking Commission input. Parts of the Woodlawn Ave project are now open, and will be fully operational in the near future.

#### **b. Parks Master Plan**

Steve presented highlights from the Parks and Recreation Department's Master Plan Update, which was recently approved by the Board of Parks Commissioners. The plan is supported by a community-wide survey, which identified trails as a top priority for capital projects, and closely aligned with departmental objectives.

#### **c. Possible Programmatic Expenses (BikeLife Magazine, Tactical Urbanism)**

Vince will setup an evening showing of a webinar on 'Tactical Urbanism'.

Vince asked for advice on the BikeLife Magazine proposal. BikeLife produces and distributes a customized magazine on bicycling for communities. Overall, the group thought this magazine had good content and could be effective at engaging new/non-riders. Vince said he would like an internal and external working group if we embark on this project. He said he'd check in with Tuscon and Boulder staff to try and get their feedback on the magazine.

### **IV. OLD BUSINESS**

### **V. NEW BUSINESS**

#### **a. Neighborhood Greenway – Portland's Recent Developments**

Vince gave an overview of the finding in this report, and the elements that could be useful to the Commission in developing is Neighborhood Greenway whitepaper.

#### **b. Trades District**

Vince presented details on the proposal from Flaherty and Collins, LLC.

### **VI. TOPIC SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS**

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